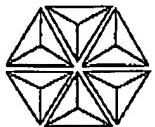


RECEIVED  
CENTRAL FAX CENTER



Bristol-Myers Squibb Company  
Patent Legal Department  
Princeton, NJ 08543-4000

AUG 24 2005

**FACSIMILE TRANSMISSION SHEET**

IN RE APPLICATION OF  
TUMMALA ET AL.  
APPLICATION NO: 10/713,996  
FILED: NOVEMBER 14, 2003  
FOR: PRODUCTION OF GASEOUS CHLORAMINE

**DATE OF TRANSMISSION:** August 24, 2005.

**TO:** Examiner Wayne Langel  
Art Unit 1754

**PTO FACSIMILE NO:** 571-273-8300

**NUMBER OF PAGES:** (9, including cover sheet)  
RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

**FROM:** Bristol-Myers Squibb Company  
ATTN: Deanna L. Baxam

**RETURN FACSIMILE NO.:** (609) 252-4526

This communication is being filed in the United States Patent and Trademark Office by facsimile transmission according to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.6(d). The sender acknowledges that the receipt date accorded to the correspondence will be the date on which the complete transmission is received in the Patent and Trademark Office. As required, the application number of the patent or application is entered as a part of the sender's identification above.

If all pages of this transmission are not received, please immediately contact:

Tina Markee @ (609) 252-4300; or  
Deanna L. Baxam @ (609) 252-4014.

RECEIVED  
CENTRAL FAX CENTER

AUG. 24. 2005 8:18AM BMS PATENT DEPT

NO. 8555 P. 2

AUG 24 2005

CASE QA02664  
OFFICIAL

CERTIFICATE OF FACSIMILE TRANSMISSION

I hereby certify that this paper (along with any paper referred to as being attached or enclosed) is being deposited in the United States Patent and Trademark Office, to the Official Fax telephone number (703) 672-8306 on the date shown below.

Tina Markee

*June Markee*

Signature

August 24, 2005

Date

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF

EXAMINER: W. LANGE

TUMMALA ET AL.

APPLICATION NO: 10/713,896

ART UNIT: 1754

FILED: NOVEMBER 14, 2003

FOR: PRODUCTION OF GASEOUS CHLORAMINE

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Attn: Box Amendment

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116

Commissioner:

The accompanying amendments and remarks are presented in response to the Office Action dated May 24, 2005.

Remarks

The Examiner's reconsideration of the claims is acknowledged. In the action, claims 1-10 and 15-24 were indicated as allowed; however we note that claim 10 has also been rejected. Claim 10 has been amended herein to provide further clarification of the invention; this amendment is not intended to limit or otherwise affect the scope of the claim as originally presented. Claim 11 has been canceled. Claim 19 has been amended to correct a minor typographical error. No new matter has been added.

Applicants submit the following remarks regarding the rejections and objection made of record in the recent Office action.

Claim 10 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by U. S. Patent No. 2,837,409 to Sisler et al. (Sisler). Applicants respectfully traverse.

The Action states that Sisler discloses the process and apparatus recited in claim 10. The Examiner posits that part of the glass tube reactor disclosed at column 3, lines 36-67 of Sisler is considered to constitute a reaction zone, and at the same time, that part of the reactor packed with glass wool is considered to constitute a solids collection system positioned